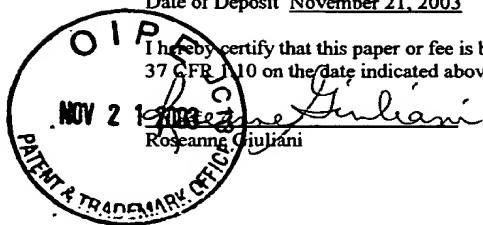


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INVENTOR(S) : Steven D. Cech

TITLE : **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
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INTEGRITY OF VISIBLY CLEAR
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The initial period for responding to the Office Action issued May 22, 2003 expired on August 22, 2003. This petition is hereby made for a three month extension of time up to and including November 24, 2003 (November 22 is a Saturday), in which to respond to the Office Action.

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The requested extension and appropriate small entity fee are as follows:


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| <input type="checkbox"/> | One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$55.00 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$1,005.00 |

A check in the amount of \$475.00 is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

Respectfully submitted,

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